

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Feb. 18—In the circuit court of this city today, in the case of Graham vs. the W. C. V. M. & G. S. Railroad Company, Judge Keith rendered an opinion adverse to allowing certain claims known as "labor and supply claims." The question came up upon a motion for the rehearing of the case under a decision given by Judge Keith at the last term of his court, denying the allowance of such claims upon the ground that the decision

favored the committee's report against the granting of the pension. There are a large number of cases of this character before the Committee on Pensions, which will undoubtedly be virtually settled by the disposition of this case.

...lesson every day upon some one of the special or moral virtues which characterize the good citizen. The bill intrusts the Commissioner of Education with the duty of directing the operations under the act, and instructs him to report upon the results in his annual report.

Mr. Stephens acknowledges the receipt of General Gordon's letter of the 7th instant. It was handed to him late Sunday evening, the 8th, by a special messenger, and Mr. Stephens has had six hours to give it that attention which it deserves until last night and this morning. He wishes to say now that he fully appreciates the promptness with which he has received it, and without any comment upon the tone, feeling and exaltation of the letter, he will say that it has been a most valuable and refreshing influence throughout the service. It

A meeting of a number of prominent citizens of this city was held at the National Metropolitan Bank last evening, and arrangements were made to confer with the Democratic executive committee which meets here on the 14th instant for the purpose of presenting the advantages of Washington as a suitable point for holding the next National Democratic convention.

of my character and habits, as well as the terrible tyranny and examples inflicted upon my three daughters, and cruelty to myself while utterly helpless on a bed of sickness and this by a wife and step-mother. The past eight years I have earned and expended on my family near \$32,000, and have provided everything to make a happy and cheerful home."